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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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GROUP 2881**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application of :
Tatsuya MIYATANI et al. :
Serial No. 09/966,719 : Group Art Unit - 2881
Filed: September 27, 2001 : Examiner - Phillip A. Johnston
For: SCANNING PROBE MICROSCOPE : Docket No. S004-4403
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL
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In response to the final Office Action dated June 18, 2003, applicants amend their application as follows:

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